

Barbara Mallory Caraway

Biography

Barbara Mallory Caraway was elected to her first term to represent District 110 in the Texas House of Representatives on November 7, 2006. She was sworn into office on January 9, 2007. In November of 2008, she was re-elected to a second term. House District 110 includes the Dallas areas of Singing Hills, Southeast Oak Cliff - including the Cedar Crest Addition, parts of Pleasant Grove and the City of Seagoville.

Representative Mallory Caraway serves on the Public Safety Committee and the Urban Affairs Committee. The issues that Representative Mallory Caraway has championed for her constituents and the citizens of Texas include lower energy costs and increased educational standards for students.

A quality education for all students is a priority for Representative Mallory Caraway. After researching the state of public education in District 110, she discovered that many of the schools in her district were poorly rated by the Texas Education Agency mainly because of low scores in math and science. After being in office for a just a short period of time, this discovery led her to launch the "Career Futures Initiative" in 2007.

The Career Futures Initiative is a partnership between the public and private sectors to give high school students 16 years and older first-hand knowledge and practical experience in the fields of math, science, engineering and technology. The Career Futures Initiative currently has two signature events. The Career Futures Initiative Job Expo and Career Fest held in the spring to assist high school students in getting summer job placement. The other event is the College Entrance Exam Preparatory Course which is a partnership with El Centro College that provides free tutorials for high school students preparing to take college entrance exams such as the SAT and ACT.

Representative Mallory Caraway's election to the State Legislature continues years of public service. She served on the Dallas City Council representing District 6 for eight (8) years from 1993 to 2001 until term limits forced her to retire. During her tenure on the Dallas City Council, Mrs. Mallory Caraway established the Dallas Youth Commission, a group of high school students from each city council district who work closely with each member of the city council as ambassadors for youths in the City of Dallas. She is also a former Democratic Precinct Chair.

Barbara Mallory Caraway is a small business owner and is a member of the National Conference of State Legislators, the National Foundation of Women Legislators, the Cedar Crest Neighborhood Association, and is a member of Camp Wisdom United Methodist Church. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Telecommunications/Theatre from Texas Southern University. Originally from Amarillo, Texas, Representative Mallory Caraway is the fifth of eight children. She has lived in Dallas area for more than 22 years. She is married to Dwaine Caraway, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Dallas. She has a stepdaughter and two granddaughters.

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